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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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| Application Number | 09/730,380 |
| Filing Date | December 5, 2000 |
| Examiner Name | Charanjit AULAKH |
| First Named Inventor | Ken LILJEGREN |
| Group Art Unit | 1625 |
| Attorney Docket Number | 5432/01004US0 |

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☒ Other Consider the Supplemental Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 filed December 5, 2002 (copy enclosed)
- b. Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Communication

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

- The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 04-0100
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 750.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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| Signature | <i>[Signature]</i> | Date | January 17, 2003 |

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In re application of: Ken LILJEGREN *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/730,380

Group Art Unit: 1625

Filed: December 5, 2000

Examiner: C. AULAKH

Allowed: November 27, 2002

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Honorable Commissioner of
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Sir:

This Communication accompanies a Request for Continued Examination for this
application, and a copy of a Supplemental Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111, mailed
December 5, 2002. A copy of the postcard receipt for the Supplemental Amendment is also
enclosed.

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This application was allowed November 27, 2002. The issue fee is due February 27, 2003 and has not been paid.

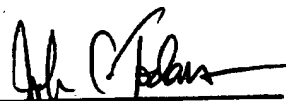
The undersigned thanks Supervisory Examiner Alan Rotman for the courtesies extended during a telephone conference of January 8, 2003. As explained during the telephone conference, the Supplemental Amendment was mailed without knowledge of the Notice of Allowance. The accompanying Request for Continued Examination is being filed on the recommendation of Examiner Rotman, in order to expedite consideration of the Supplemental Amendment.

The Examiner is now requested to enter and consider the Supplemental Amendment.

An early and favorable examination is earnestly solicited.

January 17, 2003

Respectfully submitted,


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